THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville Racecourse by the South Australian Jockey Club on Saturday, 5 January 2013

Stewards: G. Loch (Chairman), M. Santoro (HT), S. Callanan (F) & D. Southgate (M)

(Stewards), N. Castle, D. Jonas, I. Dally & R. Linke (Deputy Stewards), Dr. P.

Horridge & Dr. B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons).

TRACK: Good 3 WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Out 3 metres 1200m to Winning Post, True remainder.

RACE 1: TOLL EXPRESS HANDICAP - 1000 metres

MEADOWS CAT (S Price) was slow to jump and then reared on jumping away.

On jumping away ETHBAAL (K Bishop) and READY TO REEL (J Bowditch) brushed.

ETHBAAL lost its off hind plate during the event.

READY TO REEL and MEADOWS CAT were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 2: ADELAIDE CASINO ADELAIDE CUP 11TH MARCH HANDICAP - 1050 metres

PIT BOSS (S Cahill) reared as the gates opened.

In the early and middle stages CHONDRA (J Holder) got its head up, raced greenly and laid out.

MIDNIGHT RULE, PIT BOSS and SERGEANT JAY were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 3: 2013 AUSTRALIA DAY RACES AT MORPHETTVILLE HANDICAP - 1200 metres

Shortly after the start SATURDAY SORCERER (S Cahill) rolled in and brushed FERRARI STAR (J Toeroek).

Inside the 600 metres YOU'RE DISCREET (A Patterson) shifted out onto THE UNEXPECTED (D Moor), which was forced to steady when tightened onto LIZANA (J Kah), which was inconvenienced as its hindquarters were turned out. In being steadied THE UNEXPECTED got its head up and over-reacted. A Patterson, the rider of YOU'RE DISCREET, was charged with Careless Riding under ARR.137(a) in that he permitted his mount to shift out when insufficiently clear. He pleaded guilty and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Sunday, 13 January and to conclude at midnight on Wednesday, 23 January 2013; a period of four (4) race meetings.

J Bowditch, the rider of WHAT'S IN A NAME, explained that in view of the pace of the race he elected to allow the gelding to stride forward, however, in the straight the gelding did not finish the race off in the same manner as at its previous start.

RACE 3: 2013 AUSTRALIA DAY RACES AT MORPHETTVILLE HANDICAP - 1200 metres (Cont)

WHAT'S IN A NAME, FERRARI STAR and LIZANA were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 4: EXPRESS COLOUR PRINTING HANDICAP - 2006 metres

No report.

RACE 5: MEDALLION HOMES HANDICAP - 1200 metres

Approaching the 200 metres BELLA DOLCE (J Toeroek) rolled out and brushed SLIPPERY NINJA (J Holder) on two occasions.

From the 200 metres EXALTED FILLY (S Price) was inclined to lay in under pressure.

S Price, the rider of EXALTED FILLY, reported the mare had been uneven in its action throughout the event. EXALTED FILLY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

M Neilson, the rider of WICKED DREAMS, explained the mare struggled to maintain its position in running and could offer no other explanation for its poor performance.

D Tourneur, the rider of MEGA QUEEN, explained the mare had been uncharacteristically moody behind the barriers and travelled on and off the bridle throughout the event. He stated MEGA QUEEN had run on fairly but not in the same manner he had experienced in winning two starts previous.

RACE 6: DOMINANT HANDICAP - 1600 metres

On arrival at the start CONDUCTION, which struck the gate when leaving the saddling enclosure, was examined by the Clubs Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit to start.

CONDUCTION (J Holder) and AWE AND WONDER (D Tourneur) were slow to jump.

Shortly after the start HASTEIN (M Pegus) commenced to shift in onto INVINCIBLE GOLD (A Patterson) tightening that gelding onto JULIET'S PRINCESS (USA) (C Lindop) taking both runners in, resulting in JULIET'S PRINCESS (USA) being eased and INVINCIBLE GOLD being forced to steady and shift outwards to avoid heels. Thereafter INVINCIBLE GOLD raced keenly for some distance. M Pegus was charged with Careless Riding under ARR.137(a) in that he permitted his mount to shift in when insufficiently clear. He pleaded guilty and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Saturday, 5 January and to conclude at midnight on Saturday, 12 January 2013; a period of four (4) race meetings.

Near the 300 metres FINAL COMMAND (J Kah), when attempting to improve outside the heels of JULIET'S PRINCESS (USA) (C Lindop), became disappointed as that mare rolled out at the same time as MAHMENTUM (T Pannell) rolled in.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to permit Mr J Macmillan, the Trainer of the third placegetter FINAL COMMAND, to view the official footage in the straight.

ROCK CULTURE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: DOMINANT HANDICAP - 1600 metres (Cont'd)

BREHAT (GB) was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the horse to be lame in the near foreleg. Mr A Freedman, the Trainer of BREHAT (GB), was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

FINAL COMMAND was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 7: MAC'S 60TH HANDICAP - 1200 metres

Mr C Stewart, the Trainer of WEHOLDTHEACE, advised Stewards that due to the apparent abundance of pace in this event he had discussed with Jockey J Bowditch the possibility to ride the gelding off the pace in contrast to its recent starts, in which he considered WEHOLDTHEACE was forced to work too hard in the early stages.

BLACKBRIAR, which proved fractious at the barriers, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit to start.

L Stojakovic, the rider of MY EX MATE, reported the inside barrier gate had either not opened or opened slowly.

IDALOU lost its near fore plate during the event.

EXALTED BROTHER was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in both fore feet. Mr J Cornell, the Trainer of EXALTED BROTHER, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future official trial or race. As this was the second consecutive start that EXALTED BROTHER had been reported sore in the feet post-race, Stewards questioned Mr Cornell regarding the immediate plans for the gelding. Mr Cornell responded that EXALTED BROTHER had been diagnosed as having a soft tissue condition, which he had considered had been overcome but would now consult further with his Veterinary Surgeon and the owners. The Stewards cautioned the Trainer that should EXALTED BROTHER present in a similar manner in the immediate future, action may be taken against the gelding. Mr. Cornell advised Stewards the gelding will now be spelled.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to permit Stewards to review the official vision of the start. It was established that the inside barrier gate of MY EX MATE (L Stojakovic) had opened very slowly. In considering whether MY EX MATE had been disadvantaged in the terms of Rule AR.134A, having regard to the racing pattern of the gelding at this distance range, the Stewards were satisfied the chances of MY EX MATE had not been materially affected and declared the gelding a runner.

RACE 8: MYER HANDICAP - 1200 metres

COMMAND RULER (M Neilson) was slow to jump.

VALUE AS (K Bishop) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto CELTIC GHOST (L Stojakovic), which was inconvenienced. Shortly after the start WINDERMERE ROAD (J Potter) shifted in and brushed CELTIC GHOST (L Stojakovic).

On jumping away INDEPENDENT AIR (S Price) shifted out and brushed SAVANNAH PRINCE (NZ) (S Cahill).

ECLAIR RALLY (NZ) (D Tourneur) jumped away awkwardly.

In the vicinity of the 400 metres SAVANNAH PRINCE (NZ) (S Cahill) was held up briefly, when racing behind ROUGH DEAL (J Maund) and inside INDEPENDENT AIR (S Price).

GENERAL:

RACE 6 - FINAL COMMAND; RACE 8 - HIGHNESS

Trainer, Mr J Macmillan, reported to Stewards that bushfires adjacent to his Finniss property had forced him to relocate the horses from that property to the stables of Strathalbyn Trainer Ms R Hodson overnight. He stated that FINAL COMMAND and HIGHNESS had appeared to handle the movement well and settled into the unfamiliar surroundings quickly. He advised that all horses returned to his stable this morning and FINAL COMMAND and HIGHNESS had both eaten well. Stewards ordered both FINAL COMMAND and HIGHNESS to undergo a precautionary pre-race examination upon arrival on the course. The Club's Veterinary Surgeon reported neither horse had any visible abnormalities.

RACE 6 : DOMINANT HANDICAP - 1600 metres

Upon a report from the Clerk of Scales, Mr R Balfour, the Co-Trainer of INVINCIBLE GOLD, and Jockey A Patterson were questioned regarding the addition of a girth cover to the gear after the rider had weighed out. After considering the explanations, Mr Balfour was charged with an offence under Rule AR.118A in that he added the gear. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$100. A Patterson was cautioned and advised in similar circumstances in future he would be expected to inform the Clerk of Scales of such changes.

TRAINER - MR S GOWER

During a routine on course examination of Trainers' race day gear bags, the Stewards discovered a syringe and needles in unopened packaging in Trainer, Mr S Gower's possession. Mr Gower acknowledged the items had been inadvertently overlooked following a recent interstate trip. The Trainer was charged with a breach of Rule AR.178E(1). He pleaded guilty and was fined \$200.

RACE 5: MEDALLION HOMES HANDICAP - 1200 metres

On Monday, 7 January 2013, Mr. J. Cornell, the Trainer of EXALTED FILLY, advised Stewards the mare had been examined by his Veterinary Surgeon who reported a torn off hind hamstring, which will require treatment. Mr. Cornell was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

RACE 8: MYER HANDICAP - 1200 metres

On Monday, 7 January 2013, Mr. D. Koch, the Trainer of WINDERMERE ROAD, advised Stewards the gelding had suffered a bi-lateral bleeding attack on return to his stables. Mr. Koch was advised WINDERMERE ROAD was now suspended for three months in accordance with ARR.53A.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (13):

Blood Samples were taken from the following horses for the purpose of TCO₂ testing:

Race 3 EMPEROR MAX, YOU'RE DISCREET.

Race 4 PELICANO, TABULATED.

Race 5 COURTING MAGIC, BELLA DOLCE.

Race 6 HASTEIN (NZ), ROCK CULTURE.

Race 7 BLACKBRIAR, BELIEVE IN MORE.

Race 8 HIGHNESS, CELTIC GHOST, ECLAIR RALLY (NZ).

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (9):

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 6 - D & R Balfour - AR.118A - Added girth rubber - Fined \$100.
	General – S Gower – AR.178E(1) – Syringe and needles on course – Fined \$200.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
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SUSPENSIONS	Race 3 – A Patterson (YOU'RE DISCREET) – ARR.137(a) – Careless Riding – To commence at midnight 13/1/13 and to conclude at midnight on 23/1/13 – 4 meetings. Race 6 – M Pegus (HASTEIN) – ARR.137(a) – Careless Riding - To commence at midnight on 5/1/13 and to conclude at midnight on 12/1/13 – 4 meetings.
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 5 – EXALTED FILLY – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Torn off hind hamstring. Race 6 – BREHAT (GB) – Not to race - Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lame near foreleg. Race 7 – EXALTED BROTHER – Not to race - Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Sore in both fore feet. Race 8 – WINDERMERE ROAD – Bled – Suspended three months in accordance with ARR.53A.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil

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